

## Message Text

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PAGE 01 MANILA 06988 090812Z  
ACTION EA-09

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 SCS-03 PRS-01 /014 W  
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P 090807Z MAY 77  
FM AMEMBASSY MANILA  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 9444

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E. O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: CASC (WIDEMAN, BERNARD)  
SUBJECT: WIDEMAN CASE

REF: A) MANILA 5397, B) STATE 095536, C) MANILA 6517, D) STATE  
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1. REF A (APRIL 13) REPORTED MALACANANG HAD REFUSED TO  
RENEW WIDEMAN'S PRESS CREDENTIALS PENDING OUTCOME OF HIS  
VISA RENEWAL PROCEEDINGS. REF C (APRIL 29) REPORTED  
IMPLICATIONS OF WITHDRAWAL OF CREDENTIALS.

2. IMMIGRATION COMMISSIONER REYES STATED AT MAY 6 HEARING  
THAT HE WOULD DECIDE CASE THIS WEEK, BUT ADDED THAT HE  
WOULD OPEN SECOND HEARING ON AMBASSADOR BENEDICTO'S  
LIBEL CHARGE MAY 11. WHILE FULL PORTENT OF REYES'  
REMARKS STIL UNCLEAR, WIDEMAN BELIEVES MOST PROBABLE  
SCENARIO SEEMS TO BE THAT HE WILL BE  
GRANTED VISA RENEWAL AND THEN BENEDICTO CHARGE QUIETLY  
DROPPED. EMBASSY REMAINS IN ALMOST DAILY CONTACT WITH  
WIDEMAN AND WILL REPORT ANY NEW DEVELOPMENTS. STULL

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